

## SPECIAL MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL-APRIL 21, 2003

The special meeting of the Mansfield Town Council was called to order by Mayor Elizabeth Paterson at 6:30 p.m. in room C of the Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Bellm, Haddad(arrived at 6:32 p.m.) Hawkins, Paterson, Rosen, Schaefer, Martin, Thorkelson

Absent: Holinko

II. BUSINESS BUDGET 03-04

Flagged items:

Community Center, Purchased Services and other supplies

Jeff Smith, Director of Finance, presented Council with an Expenditure Budget for the Community Center. The #539 items, included advertising, printing and binding, postage, phone service. The #549 items, included uniforms, recreation supplies, medical supplies, vending supplies and special events.

Open Space budgeted item was discussed and the decision was to keep in the amount allocated. There is approximately \$800,00.00 in the present account. However, if a large piece of land or farm becomes available the Council may be interested in its purchase if it would be in the best interest of the town.

Jeff Smith discussed the possibility of bonding in November 2003 for the additional all day kindergarten class program and the need for portable classrooms.

Southeast Park Improvements discussion. Mr. Bellm discussed the philosophical difference of changing a multi-use field into a single-use field. He urged the Council to discuss matter.

Mr. Thorkelson moved and Mr. Schaefer seconded to add \$5,580.00 into the pre-paid fee program for the bus service for residents of Mansfield.

So passed unanimously.

Mr. Bellm moved and Mr. Martin seconded to delete the fence portion from Community Services under the proposed five-year Capital improvements and Spring Hill Field Accessibility Improvements/Fence Pg. 178.

Motion so passed, Paterson voted against said motion.

Board of Education Budget

Mr. Hawkins moved and Mr. Martin seconded to recommend to the Board Of Education to hold their increase to 4%, or to reduce their budget by approximately \$600,000.00 plus. Mr. Rosen asked what impact it would have on the educational program.

Motion so passed. Bellm voted against said motion.

Under the 2006/07 Capitol Budget, Mr. Bellm moved and Mr. Martin seconded to remove the Southeast Park improvements of \$155,000.00 for the Irrigation project.

So passed unanimously.

### III. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Schaefer seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

So passed unanimously.

Elizabeth